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President's Message



By Curtis P. Joachim, CPA, MBA, CGFM, CGMA

It's hard to believe that 2019 is almost over, as well as the first half of our 2019/2020 AGA year. As the calendar year comes to an end, I hope that you were able to achieve your goals for 2019. If so, bravo! well done! now on to even bigger and better things. If you didn't achieve your goals, then the end of the year is a good time to reflect on what worked well and what didn't. Then, regroup and set fresh goals for the New Year.

November was another exciting month for our chapter as we held our 1st webinar of the year for 1 CPE on "Grants - A Way Forward through Risk Management and Innovation". Thanks to those who were able to make it,

it was well attended. We also took the opportunity to update members on what's happening in our chapter. During November we visited Appalachian State University to talk to students about service in Government financial management.

December's chapter event is the Professional Development Training (PDT) in Williamsburg where we joined forces with the Richmond, Shenandoah and VA Peninsula Chapters to host the Commonwealth PDT on December 12^{th} and 13^{th} . I hope that you were able to make it. We're looking forward to hearing about it in our next month's newsletter.

The second half of the AGA year usually sees an uptick in activity for our chapter. We are looking forward to stepping up our recruiting efforts with the end of the holidays and make plans for our Spring PDT in April. It's also time to start thinking about chapter leaders for the next year. Do plan to get involved. Our next chapter meeting which will be via webinar on January 30th for a tax update. Till next time, let me take this opportunity to wish each of you and your families a Merry Christmas and the very best for 2020.

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Opportunities



The 24th Annual AGA Commonwealth of Virginia PDT in Williamsburg, VA!!!!

THEME: "The Changing Landscape of Accountability"

Look for Highlights in next month's edition





December AGA MEETING

Topic: "The Changing Landscape of Accountability" **When:** Thursday and Friday December 12th and 13th, 2019 **Time:** 11:50am – 12:50pm Eastern Standard Time

Place: Great Wolf Lodge in Williamsburg, VA

Presented by: Numerous Presenters **Cost:** \$220.00 to AGA Members

CGFM Quick Facts

• What is "My Path to CGFM"?

My Path to CGFM is designed to assist CGFM candidates in tracking their progress toward completing their CGFM certification. Candidates will be able to see which steps they have completed, and view their eligibility letter, end of eligibility and exam status. To access My Path to CGFM, candidates must log in using their My AGA username and password.



Member Spotlight

This Month the Roanoke Chapters Newsletter is pleased to introduce:



Patricia B. Cox, CPA

- 1) How long have you been a member of the AGA? Since February 1, 2006
- 2) Why did you join the AGA? For relevant CPEs and networking opportunities specifically for government financial managers.
- 3) What is your current occupation? I am the Finance Director for New River Valley Community Services.
- 4) What do you love most about Government Accounting? My entire career has been in the non-profit/governmental realm of the accounting industry in the New River Valley. What I love most about that is no matter where I work I still get to interact with the same great people because we're all so interconnected.
- 5) How do you define success? Influencing and impacting those I interact with in a positive, productive manner.
- 6) If you could choose anyone as a mentor, who would you choose? I was lucky to have a mentor early on in my career. I feel his influence to this day! He has since retired and we still keep in touch. I will always value that relationship.
- 7) What's something about you (a fun fact) that not many people know? I'm a huge college football fan.
- 8) What's the last book you read? Traction by Gino Wickman. Our leadership team is currently discussing the points of this book to better meet the growing size and demands of our agency.
- 9) What's the first concert you ever attended? Def Leppard's Hysteria tour. I'm so excited about the recent announcement of their upcoming 2020 tour with Motley Crue and Poison!
- 10) If you had to eat one meal every day for the rest of your life, what would it be? Definitely something with pasta like Chicken Alfredo or Chicken Marsala.

AGA is Community Minded

Brief from the Membership and Emerging Leaders Committee...

On November 20th, Curtis Joachim, Roanoke AGA Chapter President, presented to the Appalachian State University at Boone, NC. This presentation was made on behalf of the National AGA and we are happy to report that attendees were interested to learn about the AGA and the CGFM certification! Five students joined as student members of AGA!

Please continue reaching out to your colleagues and friends as we recruit for new members!

How far can your donation go?

AGA – A Season of Giving

Our programs, resources and ethics guidance provide the insights, skills and knowledge needed in the workforce of the future. In order to help fund our upcoming initiatives, we're aiming to raise \$10,000 by the end of 2019. Join your fellow members in donating to our Season of Giving campaign. Your *tax-deductible* gift will help us reach our goal and make a positive impact on the future.

Chapter Information

Contact Information for the Chapter Board

2018-2019 Chapter Board

Curtis Joachim, President
Vicki Delp, Treasurer
Melissa Cable, Secretary
Joshua Levenstein, Education/Meetings
Gillian Cadogan, Membership/Emerging Leaders
Leah Kirby, Community Service
Vicky Moore, Web-Master
Bradley Vaught, Accountability, Communications & News
Letter
Lal Harter, Nat'l Council of Chapters Representative

New Members

No New members this month. Please continue to recruit.



AGA Treasurer's Report

For the Month Ending November 30, 2019

Beginning Balance: November 1, 2019						
Receipts:	-19 Workshop Registration	9.41 Total Receipts	\$	9.41		
Disbursements:	No Disbursements	Total Disbursements	\$	-		
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Meeting Minutes, Cont.

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) Meeting Minutes October 29, 2019 (via Conference Call) Minutes will be provided in next month's edition

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